

REMARKS:

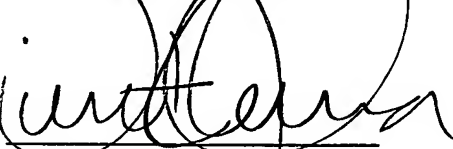
Applicants are adding new claims 18 and 19. Thus, claims 1-5 and 7-19 currently are pending and are subject to examination in the above-captioned patent application. No new matter is added by the foregoing amendments, and these amendments are fully supported by the specification. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the above-captioned patent application in view of the foregoing amendments, the following remarks, and the remarks previously presented on November 4, 2005.

Applicants' new independent claims 18 and 19 states that the electronic element, the first pads, the second pads, and the comb-like electrodes are hermetically sealed in a cavity defined by the first film and the second film. Applicants respectfully submit that at least this limitation of independent claims 18 and 19 is not disclosed or suggested by the references cited by the Examiner. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner allow independent claims 18 and 19 to issue in a U.S. patent at least for this reason.

CONCLUSION:

Applicants respectfully submit that the above-captioned patent application is in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that an in-person or telephonic interview with Applicants' representatives would expedite the prosecution of the above-captioned patent application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney of records. Applicants believe that no fees are due as a result of this supplemental responsive amendment. Nevertheless, in the event of any variance between the fees determined by Applicants and those determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket No. 025720-00028.

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